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Serial No. 10/769,791

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For: ATTACHING STRUCTURAL UNIT USED FOR  
INSTALLING QUADRANGULAR SOLAR-BATTERY  
MODULE ONTO SLANTED ROOF

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Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

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As suggested by 37 C.F.R. 1.97, the undersigned attorney brings to the attention of the Patent and Trademark Office the references listed on the attached form PTO-1449.

☐ All listed documents are attached.  
☒ Copies of U.S. Patent Publications are not required and are not attached.  
☒ Listed foreign patent publications and other documents are enclosed.  
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☒ The Examiner's attention is drawn to the following co-pending application: U.S. Patent application 10/812,032 filed March 30, 2004, entitled "Solar Cell Unit and Method for Mounting the Solar Cell Unit on Roof" (now published as 2004-0187909). The publication is listed on the attached PTO-1449.

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The Commissioner is authorized to charge the undersigned's deposit account #14-1140 in whatever amount is necessary for entry of these papers and the continued pendency of the captioned application.

Respectfully submitted,  
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## U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

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DOCUMENT			DATE	COUNTRY	CLASS	SUBCLASS	YES	NO
		11-200561	7/1999	JP			Abstract	
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**OTHER DOCUMENTS** (including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent pages, etc.)


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